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SUBJ: TRADE COMPLAINT: CATTLE FREIGHT PAYMENTS

REF: (A) USDOC 00365 (B) CORRESPONDENCE FORWARDED 12/27/76 BY MICHEL F. SMITH, CAGNE

- 1. SMITH MAY ADVISE R.E. WILTSHIRE AND CONGRESSMAN JOHN KREBS THAT THE BIG-D CATTLE FREIGHT PROBLEM IS RECEIVING PERSONAL ATTENTION OF IRAN'S DEPUTY AGRICULTURE MINISTER GHAVAMIAN.
- 2. HE ADVISED AGATT THAT THIS CATTLE DEAL VERY SUSPICIOUS BOTH ON U.S. AND IRANIAN SIDES. AN INVESTIGATION HAD BEEN ORDERED PRIOR TO EMBASSY RECEIPT OF WILTSHIRE CORRESPONDENCE.
- 3. AGATT HOPES TO RECEIVE FURTHER DETAILS AS INVESTI-GATION PROGRESSES. AT THIS POINT, HOWEVER, IT APPEARS THERE ARE NO UNPAID FREIGHT CLAIMS IN THE CASE.
- 4. THE AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT BANK VICE PRESIDENT BELIEVES THE FREIGHTS IN QUESTION WERE PAID TO MR. ZOLFAGHARI OF ZOLMAN ENTERPRISES. ADDRESS IN AGATT FILES FOR ZOLMAN IS 600 MONTGOMERY STREET, SAN FRANCISCO. UNCLASSIFIED

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5. WILTSHIRE'S LOCAL REPRESENTATIVES ARE UNKNOWN TO AGATT OR EMBASSY. ALSO WILTSHIRE IS NOT BELIEVED TO HAVE CONTACTED ANY EMBASSY OFFICE IN MARCH WHEN HE VISITED TEHRAN. MIKLOS

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